



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Citizen Workgroup - Meeting 6

Developing Alternatives for Updating the Upper Missouri River Reservoir Fisheries Management Plan (UMRRFMP)

June 8, 2009

8:00 AM - Late Afternoon (*lunch provided*)

MACo Conference Room

Public Comment Period – 12:10 – 12:30 PM

PROCESS OBJECTIVES

1. In 6-8 meetings, explore aspects of a fisheries Management Plan for Holter, Hauser, and Canyon Ferry Reservoirs.
2. Within the Workgroup's charter, develop consensus alternatives and recommend those alternatives to FWP.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

1. Review and come to agreement on the revised content and structure of the draft Management Plan.
2. Review and come to agreement on the goals and objectives for each body of water.
3. Complete recommended alternative management strategies.

AGENDA STRUCTURE

Introduction:

- Who's here – Signing in...
- "Ratifying" the May meeting summary (will take place as draft Plan parts are reviewed)

Reviewing/moving to final recommendations

- Parts of the Plan that need updating by FWP including new data, statistics, and changing conditions
- Parts of the Plan that are not longer accurate and need revision
- Workgroup recommended goals and objectives
- Completing "legitimate" recommended alternative management strategies within the Collaborative Framework

Taking a last look at "missed" issues

Where do we go from here?

- A "date" to review the draft Plan
- The public comment period
- Last meeting in the fall to review public comment and make final recommendations

GROUND RULES/PROCESS AGREEMENTS

Meeting attendance

- Attendance is basically "mandatory" for the best interest of the process and Group's outcomes. Acknowledging there are emergencies, Working Group members will contact Beth or Ginny prior to missing a session.
- Members will not use substitutes or proxies if missing a meeting.

COMMUNICATION

- Members are requested to raise hands to be recognized by the facilitator.
- To support civility and courtesy, allow the other to finish without interrupting.
- Members are asked to manage their own communication – style, length of time, body language, no vulgar language, no name-calling, etc.
- The Facilitator will help manage the length of time of the person speaking.

PROCESS TO ENCOURAGE COMING TO AGREEMENT

- Members are asked to describe the issue they are bringing to the table. Full Group discussion will follow, monitored by the Facilitator. The Group will decide how far to take the issue, the disposition of the issue, etc.
- Members will aim for 100% agreement and work hard to get there. At points in the discussion, the Facilitator may ask for a relative showing of support for the item at hand to determine the level of majority and minority. She will use an interest-based approach to help the group increase the majority. When the Facilitator feels that all attempts have been made to solve the minority's issues, she has permission to:
 - Ask the Group to table the issue for later discussion or;
 - Move the group to agreement – one way or another - if there is a super majority (80%/20%) of those present.

MEDIA

- Eric (FWP) will be responsible for relaying information from the Working Group to the media. Members approached by the media will direct the media to Eric.
- It is recognized that Members will report back to their constituents.
- Individual members are asked to couch their comments as personal opinion and not the view of the Group.